

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Valerie CHEYNET-SAUVION et al.

Group Art Unit: 1655

Application No.: 09/402,131

Examiner: B. Sisson

Filed: December 8, 1999

Docket No.: 104458

For: RNA-DEPENDENT RNA POLYMERASE FUNCTIONING PREFERABLY ON RNA MATRIX AND  
PROMOTER-DEPENDENT TRANSCRIPTION PROCESS WITH SAID RNA-DEPENDENT RNA  
POLYMERASE

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
AND INTERFERENCES AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision of the Primary Examiner dated August 16, 2002.

The \$320.00 Appeal Fee (\$160.00 Small Entity) is:

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           Not required (fee paid in prior appeal in this  
application with no Board Decision on the merits).

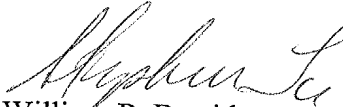
The shortened statutory period having expired November 16, 2002, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for three months. Included in our enclosed check is \$520 in payment of the fee for a three month extension of time for filing this Notice of Appeal. Payment of \$410 for a two month extension was already made.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this document are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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